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The timely submission under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on 1/19/10 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because there is no marked up copy of the substitute specification dated 3/19/05. Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). If a notice of appeal and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) were filed prior to or with the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r), the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r) by applicant is construed as a request to dismiss the appeal and to continue prosecution under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The appeal stands dismissed.

The letter dated 1/19/10 indicates that the original application filed 8/8/03 should be referenced. However, this remark fails to address the requirement for a marked up copy of the substitute specification.

The examiner regrets the delay in the request for a marked up copy. The present examiner has just now taken over this case from an examiner no longer with the PTO. Because of the huge number of claims and the complexity of the case with the possibility of new matter the examiner must have the marked up copy before proceeding any further.

The applicant is correct that numbering the elements in each claim is not a requirement. As mentioned in the previous action, this would be a "courtesy copy" to assist the examiner in assuring that there no new matter and in interpreting the claims so as to make an accurate determination as to the desired meets and bounds of the claims, especially since the applicant is a pro se.

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